UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: SAC, DALLAS (89-43)

DATE: 11/27/63

FROM: INSPECTOR JAMES R. MALLEY

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY, 11/22/63
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Section Chief HANDLEY telephonically advised that the Director desired District Attorney HENRY WADE and Chief of Police CURRY to again be contacted and requested to refrain from making press releases concerning events taking place in Dallas. HANDLEY stated that newspapers throughout the country were quoting both Chief CURRY and the District Attorney WADE, and that it was imperative that they refrain from making comments concerning the Dallas situation which would interfere with successful prosecution of the case, as well as investigation being conducted.

Chief of Police CURRY was located at 12:50 PM and this matter was discussed by me with Chief CURRY. The Chief advised that he was not making any press releases of any kind and that he had specifically requested individuals in the Department to refrain from comments to the press, but that he was having difficulty in controling this phase of the Police Department's activities. He assured me that he personally would try to make every effort to see that no comments were made and that he had not personally made any comments since this matter had been discussed with him on Sunday, Nov. 24th.

HENRY WADE, District Attorney, was located at his home at 1:15 PM, and this matter was discussed with him in detail. WADE stated that he had made no statements to the press of any kind since I discussed this situation with him on Sunday evening; that he understood he was being quoted in various newspapers, the latest being the "Houston Post" and he wanted to assure me that he had made no comments of any kind concerning the activities of the Police Department or the FBI, but did tell a representative of the "Houston Post" that he knew nothing concerning the FBI's activities in the Dallas situation. He stated his Assistant BILL ALEXANDER was talking to representatives of the press this morning and when he saw this, he called ALEXANDER away from the reporters and told him to refrain from making any comments; that the District Attorney's

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office had a case to prosecute and he wanted no further information given out. He advised he was leaving for Houston, Texas very shortly and that he would be in Houston until Friday, and that he was not furnishing his whereabouts to anyone, so there would certainly be no comments from him in the meantime.